

REMARKS

The Examiner's action dated August 8, 2006, has been received and its contents carefully noted.

The allowance of claims 16-17, 53-54 and 56-62 and the allowability of claims 29-30, 32-33, 36-41, 44, 48, 52 and 55 are noted with appreciated. It is noted, however, that claim 29 was already in independent form.

In order to place the application in allowable condition, the claims have been amended to define those aspects that the Examiner has indicated are allowable.

Specifically, in response to the drawing objection presented in section 1, the claim objection presented in section 3 and the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph presented in section 5 of the action, claim 55 has been amended by replacement of the phrase "electrode arrays" with -electrodes-, which are clearly illustrated and for which there is antecedent basis, and claims 34, 35 and 42-52 have been canceled notwithstanding the Examiner's acknowledgement that claims 44, 48 and 52 contain allowable subject matter because the same allowable subject matter is also defined by claims 56-62, which have been maintained.

In response to the claim objection presented in section 2 of the action, independent claim 29 (and claim 53) have been amended by replacement of "leads" with -electrodes-.

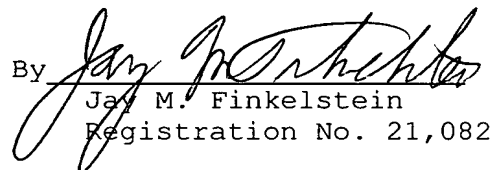
It is therefore asked that the drawing objection and the claim objections and rejection be withdrawn.

If notwithstanding our earnest efforts to address the Examiner's objections and rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, the Examiner finds that the application is still not in allowable condition, Applicant requests her to contact the undersigned and resolve any outstanding issues by telephone.

Favorable reconsideration and allowance are requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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